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| FROM | Ambassador BUENOS AIRES | CLASSIFICATION | |
| E.O. 11652: | N/A | | |
| TAGS: | CASC, AR, (LOPEZ, GUERDA MAE nee LOKEN) | | |
| SUBJECT: | W/W: ARREST: Guenda Mae Lopez | | |
| ACTION: | SECSTATE WASEDC - IMMEDIATE | | |
| | [REDACTED] - BUENOS AIRES 313 | | |
| REF.: | A. Buenos Aires 3144, B. Buenos Aires 2912 and Smith/Chaplin Telecon 5/18. | | |
| FOR : | C) State 122204 ARA/APU | | |
| DIST: | 1. LOPEZ WAS ARRESTED FRIDAY APRIL 30 AND EMBASSY WAS INFORMED OF ARREST MONDAY MORNING, MAY 3rd, BY A TELEPHONE CALL FROM A USIS LOCAL EMPLOYEE IN ROSARIO. | | |
| AMB | 2. LOPEZ DID NOT REPEAT NOT MAKE ANY ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE BY ELECTRIC SHOCKS OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS TO CONOFF DURING INTERVIEW. SHE COMPLAINED THAT SHE HAD BEEN ROUGHED UP AND POLICE STATED BRUISE AROUND EYE RESULTED FROM HER RESISTING ARREST. SEE PARA. OF INVESTIGATIONS | | |
| DCM | 7 REF. A. CONOFF SPECIFICALLY QUESTIONED POLICE CHIEF/ON WHETHER THEY USED ELECTRIC SHOCKS DURING INTERROGATION AND POLICE CHIEF ASSURED CONOFF THEY DID NOT, NOR DO THEY HAVE ANY SUCH EQUIPMENT AT ROSARIO POLICE HEADQUARTERS. | | |
| CONS | 3. LOPEZ DOES NOT YET HAVE A LAWYER. CONOFF WAS IN TOUCH BY | | |
| USIS | | | |
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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS

Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

Release () Excise () Deny

Exemption(s): B6

() In Part (X) In Full DECONTROL

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Date Declassify on Reason

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DCM: Mr. Chaplin:

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PHONE YESTERDAY, MAY 18, WITH SUBJECT'S BROTHER-IN-LAW,
JORGE ENRIQUE LOPEZ, WHO IS HIMSELF A LAWYER AND IS ARRANGING
LEGAL COUNSEL FOR SUBJECT AND HER HUSBAND. HE WILL INFORM
US WHEN COUNSEL ENGAGED.
JORGE ENRIQUE LOPEZ RESIDES []

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4. SIDNEY GOT INTO PRESS BECAUSE MORTY ROSENBLUM ASSOCIATED
PRESS BUREAU CHIEF IN BUENOS AIRES HAD LEARNED OF ARREST
THROUGH ONE OF HIS SOURCES AND ASKED COROFF FOR CONFIRMATION OF
INFO HE HAD ACQUIRED. HE WAS NOT REPEAT NOT INFORMED THAT SHE
HAD MADE ANY ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE.
5. DEPARTMENT WILL BE KEPT INFORMED OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS.

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